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New Building Permit Checklist

Harrisonburg, VA – The City of Harrisonburg will begin utilizing a new Building Permit Checklist, which will assist individuals in the building process.

Recently, a multi-department team, consisting of City staff members from various departments, conducted an evaluation of the City's building permit process. This team specifically focused on ways to prevent unanticipated expenses and delays for matters mainly occurring after permits were issued.

As a result of this evaluation, the Building Permit Checklist was created and has since received support from Harrisonburg City Council and will go into effect today.

"We hope that initiating interaction between the departments and those requesting a permit, early in the development process, will result in a better understanding of the scope of the projects," said Stacy Turner, Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development. "We want to resolve, or at least bring attention to, problems before the project begins in order to eliminate any unforeseen delays or expenses."

Starting today, individuals applying for building permits must complete and submit this checklist before a permit application will be accepted.

The Building Permit Checklist is available online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/permits.

The City of Harrisonburg is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to approximately 50,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov.

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